

NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS.

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FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

A COPY OF A COMMUNICATION FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE  
NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS SUBMITTING CHANGE OF  
ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATION.

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JANUARY 24, 1902.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be  
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,  
*Washington, January 23, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Director of the National Bureau of Standards, of the 20th instant, requesting that the three laboratory assistants—one at \$1,200, one at \$1,000, and one at \$900—estimated for on page 296 of the Annual Book of Estimates for the fiscal year 1903, for the six months from January 1, 1903, be provided, instead, for the entire fiscal year from July 1, 1902, to June 30, 1903, for reasons set forth in his communication.

Respectfully,

L. J. GAGE, *Secretary.*

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS,  
*Washington, January 20, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to state that since transmitting the estimates for the salaries and expenses of the National Bureau of Standards for the fiscal year 1902-3 additional quarters have been secured, by the courtesy of the Superintendent of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, consisting of the third floor of the south Butler Building.

I would therefore respectfully request that the three laboratory assistants—one at \$1,200, one at \$1,000, and one at \$900—asked for

beginning with January 1, 1903, be requested to begin with the fiscal year.

This is especially desirable, since the work of the Bureau is being developed much more rapidly than was expected, and the requests for its services have already been far in excess of the capacity of its working force and quarters.

Respectfully,

S. W. STRATTON,  
*Director.*

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

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